

TELLURIDE HISTORIC DISTRICT

Route 145

Telluride

Center of an extraordinarily rich gold mining area, Telluride was founded in 1878 and prospered after 1890, when the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad arrived. A number of buildings from its "boomtown" era remain, including the New Sheridan Hotel, where William Jennings Bryan once gave his "Cross of Gold" speech. Telluride now flourishes as a ski area and is consciously preserving its historic resources.